

**IN THE ABSTRACT**

Please replace the Abstract with the following:

A brake lining for the disk brake of a vehicle, especially a rail vehicle, comprising a carrier plate on which several friction elements are secured, whereby said elements can be pressed against the friction surface of a brake disk when the brake is actuated, such that the carrier plate can be partially elastically deformed in the overlapping area of the friction elements or such that a spring element is allocated to each friction element and is supported on the rear of the friction element and on the carrier plate on the side thereof facing the friction element.